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SUBJECT: GROUP "TARIFFS"

FOLLOWING ARE SUBSTANTIVE PORTIONS OF GATT/AIR/1333,  
29 NOVEMBER 1976, ANNOUNCING THE NEXT MEETING OF GROUP  
"TARIFFS."

BEGIN TEXT:

1. THE GROUP "TARIFFS" WILL RECONVENE AT 10 A.M. ON WEDNESDAY  
15 DECEMBER 1976. THE MEETING WILL BE HELD IN THE PALAIS DES  
NATIONS.
2. IT WILL BE RECALLED THAT THE GROUP HAS AGREED THAT ALL THE  
ITEMS ON THE AGENDA FOR ITS LAST MEETING SHOULD REMAIN ON THE  
AGENDA FOR THE FORTHCOMING MEETING. IT WAS ALSO AGREED TO FOCUS  
ON THE QUESTIONS OF SPECIAL PROCEDURES AND SPECIAL MEASURES IN  
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FAVOUR OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES (MTN/TAR/7, PARAGRAPH 13). CON-

SEQUENTLY THE GROUP WILL REVERT, INTER ALIA, TO THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

(A) THE QUESTION OF SPECIAL PROCEDURES AND SPECIAL MEASURES FOR NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, WITH THE VIEW TOWARDS REACHING AGREEMENT (MTN/TAB/7, PARAGRAPH 6). IT IS RECALLED THAT SUGGESTIONS ON SPECIAL PROCEDURES WHICH HAVE BEEN MADE ARE CONTAINED IN MTN/TAR/4 PARAGRAPH 3; MTN/TAR/W/10, MTN/TAR/W/17 AND MTN/TAR/W/32. IT IS ALSO RECALLED THAT DELEGATIONS FROM DEVELOPING COUNTRIES HAVE SUGGESTED A NUMBER OF MEASURES FOR SPECIAL AND MORE FAVOURABLE TREATMENT TO BE NEGOTIATED WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF SUCH PROCEDURES (MTN/TAR/2, PARAGRAPH 7; MTN/TAR/3, PARAGRAPH 6 AND MTN/TAR/4, PARAGRAPH 3(A)). OTHER DOCUMENTS RELEVANT IN THIS CONTEXT ARE MTN/TAR/5, PARAGRAPHS 7-9; MTN/TAR/6, PARAGRAPH 5; MTN/TAR/W/15, PAGE 5; MTN/TAR/W/19, MTN/TAR/W/22, MTN/TAR/W/23, AND MTN/TAR/W/24.

(B) THE CHOICE OF TARIFF CUTTING FORMULA OR FORMULAE (MTN/TAR/7, PARAGRAPH 2-5). IT IS RECALLED THAT FIVE SPECIFIC AND MAJOR PROPOSALS FOR A TARIFF CUTTING FORMULA HAVE BEEN PUT FORWARD AT EARLIER MEETINGS OF THE GROUP. THESE PROPOSALS ARE REPRODUCED RESPECTIVELY IN MTN/TAR/2, PARAGRAPH 3 (FURTHER SPECIFIED IN MTN/TAR/W/18), MTN/TAR/W/15 AND ADD.1, MTN/TAR/W/29, MTN/TAR/W/34 AND ADD.1, AND MTN/TAR/W/35. OTHER HYPOTHESES OR SUGGESTIONS FOR A TARIFF-CUTTING FORMULA THAT HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED TO THE GROUP ARE REPRODUCED IN MTN/TAR/W, PARAGRAPH 2.

(C) THE QUESTION OF BASE RATES/BASE RATE AS REGARDS UNBOUND RATES (MTN/TAR/7, PARAGRAPH 9).

(D) THE SUGGESTION THAT ASSESSMENT OF RECIPROCITY IN THE TARIFF NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD TAKE INTO ACCOUNT WHETHER DUTIES WERE APPLIED ON C.I.F. OR F.O.B. BASIS AND THAT APPROPRIATE ADJUSTMENT OF DEPTH OF CUTS SHOULD BE MADE (MTN/TAR/7, PARAGRAPH 10).

(E) THE QUESTION OF EXCEPTIONS (MTN/TAR/7, PARAGRAPH 11).

3. ALL THE ITEMS ON THE "CHECKLIST OF POSSIBLE ELEMENTS OF A TARIFF NEGOTIATING PLAN (MTN/TAR/W/4/REV.1) WILL ALSO REMAIN ON THE AGENDA.

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